ABSTRACT

An orally deliverable pharmaceutical composition comprises a therapeutically effective amount of pramipexole or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, said composition exhibiting at least one of (a) an *in vitro* release profile wherein on average no more than about 20% of the pramipexole is dissolved within 2 hours after placement of the composition in a standard dissolution test; and (b) an *in vivo* pramipexole absorption profile following single dose administration to healthy adult humans wherein the time to reach a mean of 20% absorption is greater than about 2 hours and/or the time to reach a mean of 40% absorption is greater than about 4 hours. The composition is useful for oral administration, not more than once daily, to a subject having a condition or disorder for which a dopamine receptor agonist is indicated.